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TOPIC Staaken Airfield

EVALUATION see below PLACE OBTAINED

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REMARKS

SOURCE

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1. On 25 February 1952, source for the first time observed a fuel dump on the southern edge of Staaken airfield. The dump consisted of nine round containers of which one was 10 to 12 meters long, two were about 10 meters long, and six were about 5 meters long. All nine containers were three fourths underground. They were about 2 meters in diameter and their top sections were painted white. * Between 25 and 28 February, source repeatedly observed that no aircraft were stationed at the field and that there was no air activity. went toward the field.

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2. Between 9 and 11 a.m. on 5 March, 2 twin-engine transports and 1 biplane circled over the field. There was a 500-meter cloud base and a visibility of about 3 km. Twin-engine planes circled the field between 8 and 10 p.m. There was the same air activity between 8:30 a.m. and noon on 6 March. No other aircraft were observed at the field.

3. On the afternoon of 28 February, no aircraft were observed at the field. The hangars were closed. Between 9:20 and 11:14 a.m. on 27 February, seven DC-3s landed at the field. The cloud base was at an altitude of 200 to 300 meters, and the visibility was limited to 500 meters.

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4. On 1 March, five DC-3s were observed in front of and in an open hangar. No air activity was observed. Between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. on 4 March, ammunition boxes, each about 25 x 30 x 50 centimeters, were transported from the airfield to Dallgow-Doebritz railroad station, where they were loaded on 10 to 15 boxcars. Trucks driven by air force soldiers, were used for the shuttle traffic. The train left the railroad station in the night of 4 March. **

5. About noon on 5 March, three DC-3s with the previously observed two white rectangles one above the other and a red lateral stripe on their rudder assemblies were observed in front of a hangar at the field. Five DC-3s with the same markings landed between 10 and 11:20 a.m. The white number 3 was observed on the rudder assembly of one plane. On 7 March, the same occupation was observed at the field as on 5 March, except that a Li-2 plane was in the northwestern corner. One twin-engine transport each landed at 9:40 and 9:45 a.m. The hangars were closed. The radio installation with one mast, which was previously located south of the radio

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installation with four masts, was moved to a place between the four mast radio installation and the edge of the field. No change was observed in the other radio installations. ***

- 25X1 [] Comment. The fuel dump which is known from a previous report is located northeast of the road toward Berlin which branches off from Dallgow-Staaken road running south of the airfield. Details on the fuel containers are received for the first time.
- 25X1 * [] Comment. The train possibly carried munitions which had been left behind by the ground attack regiment when it was transferred to Dessau in mid-November 1951.
- 25X1 [] Comment. The report confirms that the field is still occupied by an air transport squadron which is equipped with Li-2s.

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